



MINUTES OF PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION MEETING

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Held at : JGS, HABSIGUDA.
From : 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Chaired by : Chairman, Mrs. D.Saraswathi Rao

The following points were discussed:

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1	Welcome address	The Chairman of the PTA, Mrs.D.Saraswathi Rao welcomed the members and requested them to abide by the time given.
2a	The outcome of the Governing Body Meeting conducted on 10-01-2018.	The following points were shared by the Chairman, Mrs D.Saraswathi Rao. <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The school had a Governing Body Meeting on 10.01.2018, the school opined to maintain a status quo earlier as per the Government of Telangana Orders. However, as per the news release on 25.01.2018, schools have received permission from the High Court to hike the fees with a clause that, such schools which hike the fee should maintain a separate account, from which the collected amount cannot be withdrawn until the government permits to do so. In view of the above – RESOLVED to hike the school fees for the next academic year 2018-2019 by 10% which will be deposited in a separate account until further orders are received from the Government.
2b	Important Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Discussed the opinions of parents regarding dress code for girls. It is decided that the girls and boys will have track pants from classes 1 to 10 as part of the Sports dress.▪ Discussed the commencement of vacation by April 13, 2018 and reopening by June 1, 2018 as per the Govt Order. Examination schedule remains the same.▪ Spoke about the notification from ICSE Council regarding common exam for classes V and VIII to be conducted by the Council. For this 75% of the attendance is compulsory.▪ Common Council exam will be held in the following subjects- English, Mathematics and Science.▪ Spoke about the GO issued by the govt. regarding Telugu being a compulsory subject.

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3	<p>The challenges faced by the school.</p>	<p>Regarding Lunch: We receive a minimum of 50 lunch boxes between 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The security girls who have been recruited for the safety and security of the students are only carrying these boxes to various blocks.</p> <p>Parents suggested that the school must not encourage this. The way parents go prepared to their work places, students must also be trained in the same way. It is ok if the lunch boxes are given in case of an emergency.</p> <p>Late comers: Number of students coming late to school is increasing day by day. They disturb the sanctity of the assembly. Unfortunately, it has been observed that most of the students who reside near the school and are dropped by the parents are usually late.</p> <p>Parents suggested that the students who are late for more than 3 consecutive days or 3 days in a week can be marked as absent for one day. And the other suggestion was to send the child back home if he/she is regularly late and this was agreed by all the members.</p> <p>Fee defaulters: Students whose parents have not paid the fees since one or more years are allowed to attend the school and even write the exam. Never ever the child is asked or informed about this. Approximately, 25% of the students are among the defaulters.</p> <p>They were also informed that SMS and registered posts have been sent to the parents which have been duly returned with no acknowledgement from the parents.</p> <p>Suggestions: The members felt that it is a sensitive issue, requested to give some time to think and would mail the opinion to the school mail Id. Later the members suggested that if it is I or II terms you need to speak to the parent and send the SMS. If more than a year / all 3 terms then you can inform the parent to discontinue the child from the next academic year</p> <p>Another group of parents suggested that three reminders be given to the parent and still if the parents do not pay, T.C to be issued without any notice. All these procedures to be done with a legal order from the court/ consumer court. The parent said that initially we may face the problem but in 2-3 years it will settle down.</p>
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		<p>Improper uniform and haircut: Measures for controlling improper uniform and haircut</p> <p>Suggestions : Members felt that the role of the parent is important. Parents to be called and be spoken to in person to discuss the matter. Students can be disciplined by deducting marks in the Non-academic criteria-these practices are already in vogue.</p> <p>The members appreciated the idea of 'Best Bag' as most of the children are getting motivated to pack their bag according to the timetable.</p>
4	<p>The concerns raised by the parents of their class with the respective coordinators.</p>	<p>PP –</p> <p>Parents expressed that few students have difficulty in identifying the print form of letters. She also suggested that in the beginning of the academic year, from class I onwards, if all the letters in the print form are revised and the students are asked to write them twice or thrice.</p> <p>Reply – the letters in print are introduced in Grade 1 every year and are displayed in the classroom. However, if children are exposed to story books and are encouraged to read constantly this difficulty can be reduced.</p> <p>Grades I to IV-</p> <p>Are the books taken according to the ICSE curriculum for the coming academic year?</p> <p>Reply: Yes, we have chosen books that are mapped with the curriculum guidelines given by ICSE.</p> <p>It will be appreciated if the Unit Test – IV answer scripts are given to the students before the Annual Exams.</p> <p>Resolved to send the Unit Test-IV answer scripts through the students with a clause that any change of marks will not be considered as the students write the answers with pencil.</p> <p>Grades V to VII</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Suggestions were received about sending the children for playing during the substitutions as they are getting lesser number of Leap Start periods due to block periods. ▪ Query regarding practice for the IEO was raised. It was made known that the English teachers had taken up the practice.

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5	Sharing of information pertaining to school activities (general and department-wise).	Information regarding GRG, Field trip to the NGRI, WOW orientation, Telangana Tourism club's visit to the Presidents Bungalow, Pongal celebrations , Kite making competition, English Writing Club, , etc. was shared with the parents with the help of ppt.
6	Suggestions if any	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students to be taken to the Film festivals. ▪ Stationing of a security personnel at the 'U turn' in front of the lane leading to the school.
7	Follow up of HSS activities	Shared different committees functioning in the school along with the schedule and informed the parent that PTA members can join any of the committees interested in. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. CAMC-Child Abuse Monitoring Committee 2. GRG 3. Fire Marshals Group 4. Telangana Tourism Club 5. English Creative Writing Group 6. Tobacco Control Committee
8	Achievement(s) if any	IEO and NSO achievers qualified for the 2 nd level, Taekwondo achievers, Katha Rachana Competition – awaiting results.
9	Any other functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The parent members were asked to give in their contributions for PINNACLE. Insight into the nature of article solicited was shared- an article that gives an important perspective to the parents at large. ▪ The members were made aware of the various committees in school and it was conveyed that they are welcome to be a member of any committee provided their participation in every session is assured. ▪ We should aim at co-parenting in the best interest of the child. Sometimes parents do not realise the importance of respecting the teachers and put them down in front of their children. This actually affects the child's thought process. The PTA members are requested to spread the thought of co-parenting. ▪ The school vouches not to indulge in any corporal punishment. The parents were asked to share ideas on disciplinary actions that can be meted out.
10	Fixing of date and agenda of the next meeting	Tentatively March 24th, 2018
11	Vote of thanks	Rendered by the respective Coordinators.

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